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[36CFR800 - Protection of Historic Properties.pdf](#)

Thank you for the email Katrina. It was very nice meeting you.

As you know, this project is located within not only the historic area of interest to the Muscogee (Creek) Nation but also our current jurisdictional boundaries. Do you know when we could expect the formal letter from EPA requesting consultation from the Tribe? There was discussion at the meeting concerning expanding the areas of the site more west. We would like to request a shapefile that includes these new areas.

For our part as the Cultural Preservation Department, we will be reviewing the project not so much as a site technical team, but as part of the responsibilities we have as a Tribe under the National Historic Preservation Act and Section 106. I have attached a copy of the law and the regulations for your review. Just as the SHPO and State Archeologist in Oklahoma review projects for compliance with Section 106, our THPO (Tribal Historic Preservation Office) program does as well. As you can see within the regulations 36CFR800, tribal review is held equally with SHPO review regarding cultural resources. As a Tribe, we also will review the project for Traditional Cultural Properties (TCPs) that could have been impacted by these events.

Thank you for sharing the GPR results that will be collected with us. As stated in the meeting, it is the believe of our office, that due to the historical habitation in the past, that the EPA have an archaeological phase I survey completed. Once completed, please forward to our office for our Section 106 review. The consulting company that you hire may also be interested in using the GPR data as part of their archaeological survey as well. We will then provide back to EPA our official comment regarding possible impacts to potential historic properties and TCPs. We will coordinate with EPA on a time when our staff can come to the area to review for possible TCPs during September or October. It was stated at the meeting that lead and arsenic have been found in the soils. Based on your professional knowledge of the impacts of these elements and others that have already been found, what hazards may there be for the archaeological firm that would be coming and doing shovel test at this location?

As mentioned in the meeting, there are other Tribes that should also be contacted. Before our Tribe was removed to this area, this area was the historic homelands for the Osage Nation, the Caddo Nation and the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes. I have provided a link that is on the SHPO's website concerning tribal consultation and Section 106. It provides a listing of all the Tribes that the state consults with. Due to changes in administration as well as staffing, I would recommend that you contact each of the Tribes I noted and request to speak to their Tribal Historic Preservation Officer or the person that manages their Cultural Preservation Office. This is always a good way as well to make for sure that your contacts for tribal leaders is up to date. The SHPO is also a great contact for agencies regarding contacts for Section 106 consultation.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call or email me. We look forward to working with EPA as well as DEQ on this project.



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Thank you,

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Good Afternoon All, thanks you for participating in the meeting yesterday and talking with us about the site. I wanted to follow-up with the group on several items discussed. If you would like to visit the site during the field work, please let either Todd, ODEQ, or me know.

1. Site Information Letters: It was requested of EPA to provide a letter informing and updating the Tribal Government about the Wilcox Oil Company Site.
2. Site Technical Team: The site technical team will include those individuals that are interested in the review of site documents and the participation in site field activities. If you are interested and would like to be on the distribution list, please let me know. LeeAnne, Martin, and Johnnie have expressed interest thus far.
3. Geophysics Work: During the meeting, much interest was expressed in the use, output, and review of the geophysical data we plan to gather. In addition, there was interest in visiting the site during this activity. As we move forward with our field work, we will share information with the group for review and input. This review and input will also be used to develop our next field screening activity involving the direct push/light induced fluorescence work.
4. Site survey for tribal cultural properties: As part of the site review, there was interest in walking the site and looking for cultural and tribal resources. With the end of the growing season quickly approaching, the best time to do this would be prior to the end of October. The weeks of September 14 or 21 were identified as potential timeframes. The cultural preservation department will coordinate with their group in order to identify the best times for our visit.
5. Potential Historical areas of interest: During the meeting, several potential areas of interest were identified (see bullets below). A copy of the 1897 GLO Map is attached

for reference.

- Old Road from Sapulpa
- TA Baxter house
- Potential graves sites: these may be present given the fact that this land was allotment land

If I have missed anything, please let me know. Thank you for your continued interest.

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